

A NEW ELECTRIC LIGHT

Ordinance Presented in Council
Last Night and Results in

A HOT PARLIAMENTARY BATTLE.

Two Interests Offer Similar Ordinances—The Electric Light Company Comes out Ahead, and Gains Time Over the Telephone Company.

Last night's session of Council was brief, and little routine business was transacted. Interest centered in the first branch, where a very neat little parliamentary fight was indulged in. After the minutes had been read, President Seabright remarked that a paper which was to be read at the meeting, had been taken from the clerk's desk, and asked who had it. While the Mayor was awaiting an answer, Mr. Wilson arose and stated that he wished to present an ordinance. The clerk had scarcely received it, when Dr. Cudde handed in the paper he had taken from the clerk's desk.

The president was informed that the latter paper was of importance, and asked Mr. Wilson if he would consent to allow it to be read in advance of his own. Not knowing the bombshell that was to be hurled at his measure, Mr. Wilson readily consented, and Clerk Hanks read the following communication:

To the Honorable Mayor and Council of the City of Wheeling:

GENTLEMEN:—The undersigned respectfully states that, inasmuch as some of the streets of the city are so crowded with electric wires and poles, in portions devoted to business, as to inconvenience both this company and its patrons in such localities, we therefore request that the committee on ordinances be directed by Council to meet and confer with a representative of this company upon the subject of the construction of an underground circuit for its wires in such localities. We ask the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on ordinances be and it is hereby instructed to meet and confer with a representative of the Central District and Printing Telegraph Company upon the subject above mentioned and report to Council with an ordinance or otherwise.

Very respectfully,
THE CENTRAL DISTRICT AND PRINTING TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

By M. E. WOLFE, Superintendent.

Amusement was depicted on Mr. Wilson's countenance. He jumped to his feet and indignantly said:

"Mr. President, how is it that the telephone company has so suddenly become aware of the practicability of putting telephone wires underground? Is it not fresh in the minds of council that the company had refused to put them underground? It seems very strange that they have concluded otherwise. What's in the wind now? The communication I handed in was first, and I insist on its being read. I move the other resolution be laid on the table, temporarily, until mine has been read."

Dr. Campbell thought Mr. Wilson's demand was no more than just, and seconded the motion to lay on the table. The motion was not put, but informal consent was given and a communication from the new Edison Electric Light, Heat and Power Company was read by the clerk. Following is the substance of it:

This company has been organized under the laws of the State of West Virginia, its incorporators being all of them citizens of Wheeling, and its purpose being to carry on business with Wheeling capital, in this city. It expects to be able, should the necessary permission be granted for passage through the streets and alleys, to furnish at once to the citizens of Wheeling the best and most satisfactory quality of electric light and electric power at a very reasonable cost. It also expects in the early future to be able to supply through the same plant, and without any further disturbance of the streets and alleys, an electrical heat which will fill the place now rapidly being vacated by the natural gas.

This company has made arrangements with the company which controls all of what are known as the Edison patents which relate to the use of electricity. If permitted to enter the city, it will use no poles nor exposed overhead wires or apparatus of any kind. The electricity which it will supply, will be conducted through wires laid in pipes underground. In this manner the constant menace to the safety of the people presented by a heavily charged wire suspended in the air, will be done away with. The actual use of the light and power within the residences and places of business is absolutely without danger to the users. No death has ever been caused by an Edison current, and the danger from fire is reduced to a minimum. The system will be secure against the effects of storms which act so disastrously upon the telegraph and light wires of the overhead system. It will be practicable in most instances to conduct the mains through the alleys of the city, with very little disturbance of the streets, and in making excavations in either streets or alleys it will not be necessary, under ordinary circumstances, to dig trenches of greater depth than thirty inches, or greater width than twenty inches.

In the matter of power this company expects to be able to supply at a moderate expense the power for a great variety of machinery, especially where space is limited. It would make it possible to run machinery in many thickly settled portions of the city where at present it would be dangerous to maintain steam boilers.

It will be seen that the ordinance, a draft of which is presented, is not intended to grant any exclusive privileges. This company expects to commend itself to the public by the excellence and cheapness of the articles and apparatus which it shall furnish. It neither now has nor will in the future have any objection to offer to perfectly free competition, either by the city itself or by other companies or persons who may desire to conduct a similar business. It is entirely willing to pledge itself in any way that may be suggested, either by provisions inserted in the ordinance or otherwise, not to oppose before the Legislature or in the courts the acquisition and enjoyment by the city of Wheeling of the right to furnish electric light, heat and power to the citizens, or the acquisition and enjoyment of the right to lay wires for similar purposes in the streets, alleys and public grounds of the city, by any person or corporation to whom the city may hereafter see fit to grant it.

The paper further contained an ordinance already drafted on the above lines and asked its adoption.

Captain Otto recommended that both communications be referred to the committee on ordinances. Dr. Campbell moved as an amendment that the electric light ordinance be referred to

the committee on lights, which committee was more conversant with the subject than any other committee. Mr. Farrell seconded the amendment, saying something about the electric light commission. The amendment was carried after some discussion.

The communication from the telephone company was then taken in hand. Mr. O'Kane moved to refer to the committee on lights, and Mr. Emshier to refer to the committee on ordinances. Mr. Wilson moved to refer to the committee on streets, alleys and grades. Dr. Campbell amended to refer back to the party sending it, with instructions to prepare a printed ordinance.

Mr. Wilson, of course, immediately seconded Dr. Campbell's amendment, and the motion was carried.

THE ROUTINE BUSINESS.

In the second branch Mr. Robertson occupied the chair in the absence of Mr. Jepson.

The Board of Public Works recommended the withdrawal of the permission accorded the Butchers' Association to build a platform on Sixteenth street, and the matter was referred back to the committee on streets, alleys and grades, which had recommended the grant.

John G. Haberfeld complained, in a petition, of the frequent changes of grade on Coal street, and asked that the city build a stone wall to protect his basement, which he had been obliged to abandon on account of water getting in. The petition was referred to the Board of Public Works.

The following bills were ordered paid: Health department, \$514 12; finance committee, \$550; Electrical Expert John A. Seelye, \$1,000; Wheeling Mining and Manufacturing company, for work done on the city's electrical power house, \$2,500.

What Superintendent Wolfe Says.

Superintendent Wolfe, of the telephone company, said to an INTELLIGENCER reporter that his company had spent \$200,000 in Pittsburgh experimenting on underground wires, and that this money had been practically sunk. It had been found almost impossible to operate to advantage an underground wire until the metallic circuit had been hit upon. This is what it is proposed to use in Wheeling.

Mr. Wolfe said his company recognized the demand to put wires underground and is disposed to accede to it as fast as possible. He added that where it is practicable to bury the wires it is to the company's advantage so to do. The telephone company will shortly have to string a number of new wires, and having in mind the underground circuit, had concluded to ask Council for a permission which he supposed Council would be ready to grant.

The intention is to relieve Main and Market streets as fast as practicable of the telephone company's contribution to the network of wires with which these streets are encumbered. With this beginning the company would expect to complete the underground system as fast as it could.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks' Abroad.

Prof. I. C. White was in the city last night.

Louis Howe, of Parkersburg, is at the Stamm house.

William Johnston, of Belmont, is at the McLure house.

Oliver Speer, of Eureka, was at the Windsor yesterday.

Emmet Mannion, of the South Side, left for Chicago last night.

John L. Schilling, the insurance man, is in the South on business.

Dr. Elmer Frasier has returned to Pittsburgh after a visit to his father here.

City Solicitor T. S. Riley and Miss Minnie Breining will be married at St. Joseph's Cathedral next Tuesday.

Mr. C. S. Conner, of Maryland, and Miss Lottie Hoop, of the Island, were quietly married Sunday evening by Rev. Dr. Fullerton.

H. Barrows, of Fairmont, S. H. Biddle, of Parkersburg, G. E. Lester, of Fairmont, and E. Whitman, of Clarksburg, are at the Behler hotel.

Mr. Holly G. Armstrong, of Jackson Court House, who travels for the Woolson Spice Company, of Toledo, Ohio, and Kansas City, is at the Windsor.

Mrs. Capt. G. D. Gillelan has gone to Cleveland, O., near which city the captain has purchased a home. It is understood he will leave for there in the spring.

G. H. Graham, of Huntington, A. B. Simpson, of Mannington, and Henry F. Shaffer, of Cameron, were among the West Virginians registered at the St. Charles hotel yesterday.

Mr. Charles B. Ott is home from a successful and extended trip in the interest of the Central glass works. It is understood that Mr. Ott has received a flattering offer to remain with the new U. S. Glass Company.

"Uncle" John Carney, engineer at the Belmont mill, was kept busy yesterday acknowledging the congratulations of his many friends, the occasion being the arrival of a brand new fourteen-pound baby girl at his house.

A Double Wedding To-night.

An interesting social event will take place this evening at the residence of Rev. E. H. Dornblaser, of the English Lutheran church, on the Island, in the shape of a double wedding. Joseph McGill and Miss Kate Hoffman, of this city, and Andrew Bayha, of the firm of Bayha & Bro., of Bridgeport, and Miss Minnie, daughter of ex-Policeman Scott Liston, will be the contracting parties.

Waived Examination.

W. G. McCullough, the man accused of throwing the bottle which almost caused Charles Graham's death, waived a preliminary examination yesterday and was committed to jail by Squire Arkle, in default of \$500 bail, for the circuit court.

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Building Association.

The following is an example of what is done in Wheeling building associations. A young man had four shares, paid \$1 each week for 364 weeks, \$364. He drew out at end of that time \$520. Try the new Wheeling Building Association. Meets at office of Franklin Insurance Company, 34 Twelfth street, next Saturday night for reception of dues.

ROLF & HARVEY offer you a free excursion ticket to McMechen Friday and Saturday.

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THE UNITED WORKMEN

Celebrate their Twenty-third Anniversary Appropriately.

AN EVENING'S ENTERTAINMENT

Provided by Welcome Lodge No. 6. Addresses by Speakers and a Musical Programme—A Banquet Closes the Evening's Festivities.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen's twenty-third anniversary was worthily celebrated in Wheeling yesterday. Welcome Lodge's hall, in the McLain building, was filled with members of the order who had gathered for the occasion, about one hundred and seventy-five being present. The speaking was interspersed with vocal and instrumental selections, and a more interesting programme could not well have been devised. Master Workman Thomas Cameron delivered the opening address, and in a few words explained the object of the gathering. A piano solo, performed by Brother Alfred Sherratt, was followed by a quartette, in which Brothers Arkle, Zulaut, Clemens and Stewart took part. Brother Clemens then sang a vocal solo. All the selections were greeted with applause.

Brother Fullerton delivered the anniversary address, and dwelt upon the magnificent showing the order had made in the twenty-three years of its existence, and the great amount of good done by it. Brother Zulaut sang a bass solo, and Brother Roman Dobler made a few remarks.

The violin and banjo duet, performed by Brother Freeze and his son, was well received, and was followed by a practical talk by Brother Dornblaser. Brother Arkle sang a solo, and was followed by Brother Brennersreuther in a talk of a reminiscent nature. The quartette was again called on, the proceedings closed with the presentation of the prize gavel which Welcome lodge had won, having shown the greatest increase in membership over all other lodges in the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania. Brother Hathaway made the presentation, and Brother McCluskey responded happily on behalf of the lodge.

When the programme was completed the lodge adjourned to Charles E. Van Keuren's restaurant. Here excellent preparations had been made for feeding the large crowd, and the banquet was discussed with appropriate vigor. Along the entire length of the dining room were two tables, with an aisle between. Though the room was taxed to its utmost capacity and not much space was left, the service was perfect. Over an hour was spent at the table. At the conclusion Brother McCluskey responded to the toast, "The Ancient Order of United Workmen," and referred to the fact that the order was the first of the beneficial orders to make provision for the family of a deceased member. Brother Mansberger responded to the toast, "Our Wives," and amid the roars of laughter evoked by his sallies the evening's entertainment closed.

Bates Lodge Gives a Dinner.

Bates Lodge, No. 33, A. F. & A. M., gave a dinner last night at the Hotel Windsor. A goodly number of the brethren sat down to a well provided table and enjoyed the viands and the talks on Masonry, more especially on Bates Lodge. The lodge was shown to be in a healthy condition. Its record shows steady growth and good work.

Met here and were Married.

Yesterday Mr. John Miller, of Hornellsville, N. Y., who has been teaching school near Waynesburg, Pa., came to this city and was met here by Miss Alice M. Nillis, of South Bend, Ind., also a school teacher, and a pretty brunette, who came originally from the same part of "Old York State" as Mr. Miller. They repaired to the office of Clerk Hook, where a marriage license was issued, and then to the McLure house, where Rev. Dr. Cooke united them in the bonds of matrimony, and they left on a trip to their old home.

The Indian Mail Carrier.

Go-Won-Go Mohawk, the Indian actress, had another good audience at the Grand last night. This afternoon there will be a grand matinee for ladies and children. The price for children will be only 10 cents, dress circle 25 cents and reserved seats 35 cents. This evening will close the engagement of this company. Those who have not seen Miss Mohawk and her company should not fail to do so. Seats at Genther's.

He will not Return Soon.

Last evening's Steubenville Herald says: Charles Stull, who posed in this community as a newspaper man last spring and was arrested on suspicion of stealing a watch, but discharged for lack of evidence, has turned up at Washington C. H. He got on a big spree and was sent to the Dayton workhouse for a year.

Hurt While Playing.

A seven-year-old son of William Solden, of the South Side, fell yesterday morning, while playing in the yard of the Eighth ward school house. He fell on a stone and inflicted a deep cut under his chin. He was taken to Bric's pharmacy, where Dr. J. H. Pipes put a couple of stitches in the wound.

The old box cars on the electric line were fitted up with brand new steel wire mats yesterday. They are neat, but will be apt to be cold during the winter.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

MATINEE at the Grand to-day. THE GRAND this evening—"The Indian Mail Carrier."

The new spire of the St. James Lutheran church is nearly ready for the slat.

ASA PRETTYMAN and Robert Bellville, two disorderlies, were arrested yesterday by Officer Trischler.

The May Flower Social will give their first grand ball at Bishop's hall Thursday evening, October 29.

JOHN B. COBURN and Alex Morrison, two prominent saloon keepers of Steubenville, and members of the Saloon Keepers' Association, were in the city on business yesterday.

The directors of the Fort Henry club have made arrangements to receive the election returns at the club next Tuesday night. All the members are invited to be present that evening.

HANLON BROTHERS' "new" Fantasma will be the attraction at the Opera House next Monday and Tuesday evenings. It always draws, and is said to be better this year than ever.

The Central Hunting Club will give their third annual ball at Turner Hall, Friday evening, October 30. The music will be furnished by the Opera House orchestra. Everybody invited.

Yesterday afternoon the committee on buildings and grounds of the Board of Education went down and inspected the Sixth ward school house, with a view to reporting on the repairs needed.

The County Commissioners' committee on court house and jail met yesterday to audit the monthly bills. Today the full board will meet to attend to the monthly routine of committee work.

A new illuminating gas service pipe was put in at the South Side bank yesterday afternoon. In consequence Behrens's branch store, and McCollough's drug store were in darkness until 7 o'clock.

The patrol wagon got an emergency call from the Island yesterday, and when it was answered it was found that a well known man had a bad case of James Jams. He was taken to the county jail to get over the attack.

WILLIAM ALTMAYER, a boy employed by William Rohrig, the Eighth ward butcher, while at work yesterday morning, cut his right hand in a fearful manner and mashed several bones in the back of that member. He will be incapacitated for work for several weeks.

The newly organized Fortnightly Club gave its first hop at the Wheeling club rooms last night. It was a success, and augured well for the future career of the organization, which contains some very good material, and will doubtless take a front rank among similar social organizations in the city.

EDGAR SELDEN's engagement at the Opera House next Friday and Saturday evenings and Saturday afternoon bids fair to be as big a success financially as it is sure to be financially. "Will o' the Wisp" is a refined Irish comedy with many pleasing features, and ought to attract large audiences.

ADAM POE, grandson of the famous Indian fighter and an old river man, is in the city arranging to put on sale his interesting history of the celebrated fight of his grandfather, Adam Poe, with Big Foot, the Indian. He left Toronto in a skiff this morning at 1 o'clock, arriving here at 3—Steubenville Herald.

DIED.

MCGROARTY—At Mt. Clemens, Mich., on Sunday, October 25, 1891, WILLIAM MCGROARTY, aged 23 years. Funeral from the residence of Patrick McGinley, No. 139 Eighteenth street, Wednesday morning at 8:30 o'clock. Requiem mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral at 9 o'clock. Interment at Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Friends are respectfully invited.

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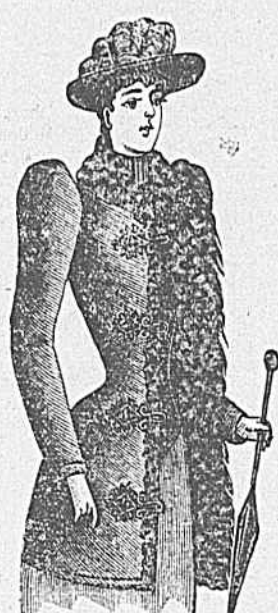
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